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AMENDMENT

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated December 11, 2001 (Paper No. 12) in the patent application referenced above. This Amendment is timely filed by virtue of the enclosed Petition for a Three-Month Extension of time, which extends the period available for response through and including June 11, 2002. This Amendment is filed together with a Request for Continued Examination.

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner's participation in the telephone interview conducted on 6 June 2000 with the Applicants' undersigned representative. The Applicants believe that their representative and the Examiner reached agreement during the telephone interview that the amendments made herein would very likely place the claims in condition for allowance, although several claims have been added in this Amendment which were not discussed during the telephone interview.

Please amend the application as follows.